

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080  
: : Confirmation Number: 4397  
Hiroshi IWAMOTO, et al. : : Group Art Unit: 1791  
: : Filed: September 22, 2006 : Examiner: DYE, Robert C  
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Application No.: 10/593,894  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REMOVING DISSIMILAR MATERIAL

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated June 18, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire September 18, 2009, a two-month extension of time up to and including November 18, 2009 being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.